HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, OUTDOOR RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

521 House Office Building

Tuesday 10:30 A.M.

February 20, 2007

Representative Joel Sheltrown, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Sheltrown requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Sheltrown, Ebli, Brown, Hammon, Kathleen Law, Lindberg, Simpson, Casperson, Walker, Stakoe and Horn.

Absent: None

The **Chair** made the following announcements:

- 1) Committee meetings that aren't being video broadcast will now be audio broadcast via the House intranet; and
- 2) Each member will now have a laptop at their seat to access information that was contained in the blue folders, which will no longer be distributed.

Representative Hammon moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2007 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

The Chair proceeded with the business of the committee by laying House Bill 4143 before the committee.

HB 4143 (Bieda) Watercraft; violations; certain marine safety misdemeanor

violations; designate as state civil infraction.

Representative Bieda explained the intent of the bill and answered questions.

Rick Kalm, representing the Macomb County Sheriff's Office, testified in **support** of the bill and answered questions.

Terry Graham, representing the Michigan Legislative Service Bureau, was called upon by the **Chair** to answer questions.

Doug Novak and **James Fackler**, representing the Michigan Department of State, testified on the bill and answered questions.

Terry Graham, Michigan Legislative Service Bureau, explained the intent of a proposed Substitute (H-1).

Representative Ebli moved to adopt Substitute (H-1) to House Bill 4143.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Sheltrown, Ebli, Brown, Hammon, Kathleen Law, Lindberg, Simpson, Casperson, Walker, Stakoe, Horn

NAYS: None PASS: None

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

Rodney Stokes and **Craig Gray**, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, testified in support of the bill, with amendments, and answered questions.

Phil Browne, from the Office of Representative Palmer, submitted a testimony card in **support** of the bill, but did not speak.

Dave Ladd, representing the National Marine Manufacturers Association, submitted a testimony card in **support** of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Phil Hoffman, representing the Michigan Sheriffs Association, submitted a testimony card in **support** of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Chair Sheltrown announced that House Bill 4143 would be taken up again at a later date.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **11:13 a.m.**

Committee Clerk
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